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Superbug infection in Canada

Those affected by NDM-1 have ranged in age from four to 66 Reasons for hospitalization included bone-marrow transplants, burns

At least one Canadian has been infected by a new superbug that defies treatment and could spread rapidly around the world, a leading Canadian medical microbiologist says.

And although the Canadian infected by the antibiotic-resistant NDM-1 recovered, "we don't know if the infection will come back," Dr. Johann Pitout of the University of Calgary told the Toronto Star yesterday.

What scientists do know about this new discovery, reported yesterday in The Lancet, is that it starts with a gene, NDM-1, that secretes an enzyme that blocks almost all antibiotics from fighting certain bacteria, including the common E. coli.

The superbugs "are potentially a major global health problem," said study lead author Dr. Timothy Walsh of the University of Cardiff, Wales.

"It is likely NDM-1 will spread worldwide."

Since NDM-1 was first detected in 2008 in a handful of British and Indian cases, it's jumped to 180 in India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and the U.K. in the study. That doesn't include the Canadian or three U.S. cases reported in late June.

"If you travel to the subcontinent and you get admitted to hospital for whatever reason, medical or cosmetic surgery, and you come back and get sick, you should tell somebody you've been in hospital in India or Pakistan."
DR. JOHANN PITOUT

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▶ Andy Murray

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A real backhanded compliment

Andy Murray of Great Britain defeated Xavier Malisse of Belgium 7-5, 6-2 in second-round action of the Rogers Cup at York University. In other action, Thornhill's Peter Polansky was eliminated. For more tennis coverage, see pages 46 and 48.

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Greyhound bus lockout averted

A shutdown of Greyhound bus traffic in Ontario and Quebec has been averted for now.

The company announced yesterday that it reached a tentative agreement with a union and all schedules should operate normally.

"We apologize for any inconvenience this process may have had on any of our passengers," the company said in a statement.

About 490 employees, including 320 drivers and 170 maintenance workers, were expected to be locked out if a resolution to contract negotiations wasn't reached by 12:01 a.m. today.

This week, 87 per cent of union members who voted rejected Greyhound's offer, citing pension issues and driving hours as the key sticking points.

The new agreement is subject to ratification by union members.

Just before the deal was announced, news of a possible lockout had some customers fuming at the Toronto bus terminal.

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It's not the heat, it's the humidity

- A temperature of 22 degrees can hold about 8 grams of water for every cubic metre
- 2010 has officially been labelled the hottest summer in Toronto history

RICHARD LAUTENS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

▶ A woman sits on the rocks at West Humber Bay Park yesterday, overlooking the humidity-filled air engulfing the city.

If you're coming into work this morning looking like you came from the gym and not just off the GO train — flushed skin, frizzed hair and sweating buckets all around — blame the humidity.

Environment Canada's humidity reading at Pearson International Airport at 7 a.m. yesterday was at a whopping 98 per cent — meaning that Toronto was at a near saturation point as to the amount of water vapour the air could contain.

"It's very humid out. It's about as humid as you can get in Toronto. You might as well be in a fog," says Environment Canada's senior climatologist Dave Phillips.

"It's like night and day compared to last year," he says.

Phillips says that between Canada Day and now, we've experienced 23 days where the humidex (a combined reading of both the temperature and humidity to determine perceived temperature) was over 35, compared to just three days during the same time last year. There have been nine days where the humidex was over 40, an unsafe level, up from two days last year.

"But the good thing about this summer is that we haven't had the haze. We've had heat and humidity, but not the haze. It's been healthy (this year) for air quality," Phillips adds.

The skyrocketing humidity in Toronto currently at near-saturation point could pose a health risk, as with any other extreme weather measurement, Environment Canada warns.

The only possible upside to humid weather in Toronto? Better skin.

"We may be sweating buckets, but at least our skin is soft," says Phillips.

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Wanted man may be dressed in women's clothing

$10,000
Reward for the capture of Mohamud Hagi

Reward posters are going up in Toronto for information that could help police arrest a murder suspect who sometimes disguises himself in women's clothing.

Mohamud Hagi, 27, is wanted on charges of first-degree murder in the shooting death of Luis Acosta-Escobar in Windsor in 2007.

Windsor police were offering a $5,000 reward for Hagi but this month doubled the reward to $10,000.

"He was last seen in Toronto in 2008, so they've asked us for our assistance in putting up posters with his photograph and information on the renewed reward," Toronto police Const. Wendy Drummond said yesterday.

▶ Mohamud Hagi

Drummond says Hagi has been spotted wearing "traditional Somali female Muslim attire, including a hijab or a burka."

Based on recent information, police believe Hagi is still in the province and that he travels by vehicle between Toronto and southwestern Ontario.

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Grey power growing as voter block

Census data shows south and central Etobicoke have high concentrations of seniors

One of the fastest growing segments of the GTA is asking politicians, ahead of the municipal election, to take notice of its growing power — or else.

With more seniors forgoing the path of snowbirds and a demographic bulge working its way up, the percentage of people 65 and older in Toronto is growing quickly. In 2006, seniors accounted for more than 14 per cent of the city's population, compared with just 7.8 per cent in 1961, according to Statistics Canada.

The demographic shift represents a new set of demands. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

On the table

Better pedestrian infrastructure, including walkable sidewalks and longer crosswalk signals, improved transit and centralized services are just some of the things seniors want.

Higher senior voter turnout at polls Considering they have by far the best voter-turnout rates for municipal elections, a seniors voting bloc could swing the election. But many Torontonians don't know about what the city has already done for seniors.

Trinity Bellwoods. Balancing act

▶ Daniel Knight, 25, of Toronto practices his balancing skills while slacklining between two trees in Trinity Bellwoods Park yesterday afternoon.

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Another charge for alleged cancer faker

An Ontario woman accused of faking terminal cancer and taking money raised to help her is facing another fraud charge.

Police allege Ashley Kirilow, of Burlington, Ont., pretended to have cancer to raise money she promised to give to charity, but kept the cash for herself.

She was facing three counts of fraud under $5,000, but Halton police Det. Duncan Taylor says she is now also charged with one count of fraud over $5,000.

The 23-year-old was in court yesterday in Milton, Ont., to continue her bail hearing, but it was adjourned to Aug. 19, when she is expected to appear via video.

Kirilow was handcuffed and wearing a green sweatsuit, her short hair in pigtails.

She has been quoted as saying she's sorry about what she did, and that she has been diagnosed with borderline personality disorder.

Her parents say they're embarrassed by her actions and they want nothing more to do with her.

MYSPACE PHOTO

▶ Ashley Kirilow

Her father says Ashley told him earlier this year that she has never had cancer.

Mike Kirilow says his daughter called him on the weekend begging him to be at her bail hearing, but he told her he wants nothing more to do with her.

No family members appeared to be present in court.

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‘Playing games’ with health care review?

Tory health critic calls government’s excuses ‘bogus’ LHINs criticized by province’s ombudsman

Health care advocates and opposition parties cried foul yesterday after an overdue review of controversial provincial agencies that dole out $21.5 billion a year in health funding was postponed until after next year’s Ontario election.

The Ministry of Health said it delayed the review of Local Health Integration Networks, originally scheduled for March, until July 2012 because the LHINs only assumed full responsibility for all health service providers last month.

That argument didn’t fly with critics, who said the LHINs have angered people across the province by making crucial decisions about local health care — including closing hospitals — without consulting the public or even local health care providers.

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▶ Natalie Mehra

“They’re playing games,” said Natalie Mehra of the Ontario Health Coalition, a citizens’ advocacy group.

“By trying to duck and put off and evade the public’s displeasure over deep hospital cuts and closures, the government is making it worse for themselves and delaying a desperately-needed review of bad policy decisions.”

The LHINs were created by the Liberals in 2007 and a review was promised in legislation. The opposition said the government intentionally put off the review until after next fall’s election campaign, and dismissed the government’s explanation for delaying it.

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Fire forces dozens from home in Whitby

A fire has damaged a low-rise apartment complex in Whitby, forcing dozens of residents to leave their homes, possibly for a while.

The fire started just after midnight on the roof of the apartment, located on Dundas Street, west of Brock Street.

It damaged at least 16 units in the building.

The building's electrical system may also have been damaged.

No injuries were reported.

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At least 16 units were damaged, and although no injuries were reported, it’s unknown how long it will be before residents can return.

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▶ Miguel Vadillo is the 43rd person to swim Lake Ontario since Marilyn Bell first did it in 1954.

LAKE ONTARIO SWIM

“THERE WAS A REALLY GOOD ENERGY”

It wasn’t a bad day for a swim — just a very, very long one.

Toronto Star designer Miguel Vadillo, 40, finished his swim across Lake Ontario and touched land at Toronto’s Marilyn Bell Park just after 3 p.m. yesterday afternoon. The grueling journey took 18 hours and four minutes — one hour ahead of schedule.

Santiago,Vadillo’s son, said the mood of the 21-man crew was lively after the sun came up yesterday.

“There was a really good energy, but it’s not party — we’re working here,” he said.

Vadillo is swimming for Canadian Tire’s Jumpstart charity and hopes to raise enough money to send 300 kids to courses that will equip them with basic swimming and water-safety skills.

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Officer opposed to Gitmo joins the Khadr jury

One of 'very few days' in Toronto-born man's favour

Eight years after a wounded Toronto-born teen was found in the rubble of an Afghan compound, the United States will outline its war-crimes case against him today to seven officers who will decide his fate.

Four men and three women will sit in judgment on Omar Khadr, now 23. And one is a U.S. Navy captain who says Guantanamo Bay has been an international black eye for the country.

Stricken from the panel was an army lieutenant colonel who said the notorious prison had "eroded" the U.S. moral authority.

In the end, eight of 15 prospective jurors were sent packing.

"Today is one of the very few days that has gone in Omar Khadr's favour at Guantanamo Bay," said Alex Neve with Amnesty International.

Both prosecution and defence were allowed to challenge jurors.

Juror No. 16, as he was identified, was sent packing at the prosecution request.

"I believe the detainment facility should be closed down," he told prosecutor Jeff Groharing.

Khadr, 23, faces five charges. The most serious is murder in violation of the rules of war — for which he could face life in prison.

U.S. President Barack Obama promised to close Guantanamo Bay, which has become a flashpoint of international criticism.

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Black Creek. Workshop

▶ Nine-year-old Anthony Lee watches as a monarch butterfly flies away.

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Learning takes wing

Monarch butterflies can teach kids about geography and ecology, educators are finding out. A workshop at Black Creek Pioneer Village has provided them with a range of monarch-butterfly-themed materials to incorporate into their lessons.

Ex-priest charged in 38-year-old sex case

Ottawa police have charged a retired priest with one count of indecent assault after investigating a sexual assault complaint dating back 38 years.

Officers began the probe after a man came forward and complained of inappropriate contact between a Roman Catholic priest and a teenage boy in 1972.

Kenneth O'Keefe, 79, of Toronto was to appear in court in Ottawa.

Meanwhile, a priest who was removed from a ministry in Columbus, Ohio, in 1993 for allegedly molesting a teenage boy has been charged with sex crimes in B.C.

Rev. Phillip Jacobs, 60, was arrested at Victoria, B.C., airport, according to The Columbus Dispatch.

It says he's charged with sexual assault, sexual exploitation and sexual interference.

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Officials aren't sure exactly how many people are on board, but suggest it could be close to 300.

A Sri Lankan newspaper said the MV Sun Sea, a Thai ship, has 200 on board, including Tamil Tiger members.

Two Vancouver-area jails have been told to make room for 200 additional inmates.

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Bonnie, Clyde dodge police

GENTRY, Ark. A manhunt for a modern-day Bonnie and Clyde has shifted from northern Montana near the Canadian border to the Arkansas Ozarks.

John McCluskey and Casslyn Welch pulled off a brazen prison escape in Arizona and have allegedly gone on a bloody, multi-state crime spree.

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Jury admits it can't agree

CHICAGO. Jurors in the trial of former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, accused of trying to sell or trade President Barack Obama's vacated Senate seat among other things, say they cannot reach agreement on "any given counts."

Blagojevich has pleaded not guilty to all charges.

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Tories rebuff Douglas plea

REGINA. The federal government is brushing off pressure from Saskatchewan's legislature to release old RCMP intelligence files on health-care pioneer Tommy Douglas.

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Dem bones conceal an ancient mystery

Ethiopia discovery points to use of early stone tools, researchers say ◐ Other experts say they're cautious

Two ancient animal bones from Ethiopia show signs of butchering by human ancestors — marking what some say is landmark evidence of the use of stone tools.

In fact, researchers say the find moves back the earliest evidence for the use of stone tools by about 800,000 years.

The bones appear to have been cut and smashed some 3.4 million years ago, said researcher Zeresenay Alemseged.

"We are putting stone tools in their hands," said Alemseged of the California Academy of Sciences.

Researchers say the bones indicate the human ancestor used sharp stones to carve meat from the carcasses of large animals and other stones to smash bones to get at the marrow.

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▶ Zeresenay Alemseged excavates an ancient fossil.

One bone is a rib from a creature the size of a cow, and the other a leg bone from something the size of a goat.

No stone tools were found at the site.

The researchers also called the finding the earliest evidence for meat-eating among hominins, an evolutionary group that includes people and their ancestors.

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Truth or fiction?

Some experts are dubious about the find.

- **What's the source?** 'I'm very cautious about the conclusions,' said paleoanthropologist Nicholas Toth of Indiana University.
- The bones were found on the surface rather than being excavated, Toth said. That means no one knows what layers of earth they came from — a key to knowing their age.
- **What are those marks?** Markings on the bones look like the work of crocodiles, said Tim White of the University of California, Berkeley. And Toth said that raises questions about whether they were caused by trampling or animal bites.

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War crimes probed

U.S. pushed for an international investigation Tuesday, saying the Sri Lanka-appointed commission has no mandate to investigate allegations

A government-appointed commission looking into Sri Lanka's civil war began public hearings yesterday amid skepticism that it has no mandate to investigate allegations that thousands of civilians died.

The United Nations says at least 7,000 civilians were killed in the last five months before the war ended in May 2009, when government forces finally crushed ethnic Tamil rebels who had been fighting for an independent state for a quarter-century.

The rebels had claimed marginalization of minority Tamils by ethnic Sinhalese-controlled governments.

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▶ C.R. de Silva, chairman of the government-appointed commission looking into Sri Lanka's civil war, leads the first day of public proceedings, in Colombo, Sri Lanka, yesterday.

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U.S. plans missile sale to Kuwait

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The value of missiles the U.S. plans to sell to Kuwait as part of its effort to build up anti-missile systems in the Gulf region.

The United States is planning to sell more than 200 Patriot missiles to Kuwait as part of its long-term effort to build up anti-missile systems in the Gulf.

The initiative is aimed at defending Gulf allies against potential Iranian missile strikes and to signal to Tehran that any aggression would not go unanswered.

The Defence Security Cooperation Agency announced yesterday that it had notified Congress of the proposed sale.

Congress could object but is not expected to do so.

Kuwait has long been identified as one of several Gulf states already with Patriot missiles. U.S. officials say Patriot batteries also have been stationed in Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain.

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Flotilla. Inquiry

▶ Lt.-Gen. Gabi Ashkenazi, Israel's military chief of staff, testified in front of a state-appointed inquiry commission into the Israeli naval raid on a Gaza-bound flotilla in Jerusalem yesterday.

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Turkish activists on board pro-Palestinian flotilla opened fire first, claims Israel's army chief

Lt.-Gen. Gabi Ashkenazi said an Israeli commando was shot in the stomach as he rappelled down to the Mavi Marmara, forcing him to return fire. A forensic examination of bullet remnants recovered did not match Israeli weapons, he said, calling it proof that the activists had guns and were prepared to use them.

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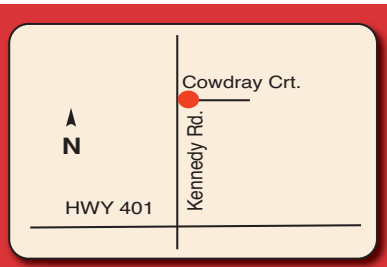

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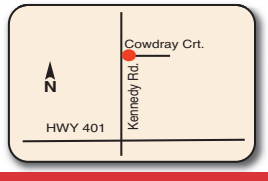

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News in brief

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▶ A soldier and Sask. native standoff on a reserve in Oka, Quebec.

Developer to sell disputed land

OKA, QUE. The town of Oka, Que., has reached an agreement in principle to buy back a piece of land from a Quebec real-estate developer that is being sought by Mohawks as part of a land claim.
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Four workers injured in Que.

MONTREAL. Four construction workers were transported to hospital yesterday after dozens of bricks tumbled from the top of a three-storey wall of an old elementary school they were fixing.
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A new way to fight tickets?

WATERLOO. A 68-year-old man is facing several charges after a dispute over a parking ticket boiled over on Tuesday.

Police say after the ticket was issued the two men got into an argument and one pulled out a baseball bat and a machete. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Rocks as old as the earth found

Scientists have found what they call hints of the earth's original recipe in an outcrop of rocks along a coast of Baffin Island.

The chemical composition of the Arctic rocks hasn't changed in 4.5 billion years, which makes it about the same age as the earth itself.
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Opposition says Tories lied

Jail threat for not completing form to be dropped **Ottawa will add three language questions to the mandatory short-form census**

Opposition parties say newly-released documents prove the Conservative government lied to Canadians about controversial changes to the census.

Liberals and New Democrats say the documents show Statistics Canada feared unreliable data would result from the government's decision to replace the mandatory long-form census with a voluntary survey.

That's contrary to Industry Minister Tony Clement's claim that StatsCan was comfortable with the change.

NDP Leader Jack Layton says Clement lied and should have been moved out of his post during last week's cabinet shuffle.

Layton says he'll try to forge a common front among opposition leaders.

Papers released Tuesday revealed that the former head of StatsCan, Munir Sheikh, advised that a voluntary survey would not be as useful as the current mandatory form.

In a draft of a planned July 21 speech to staff, Sheikh said a voluntary survey would meet the needs of many users "but will not provide useful data to meet the needs of other users of the mandatory long-form census."

Sheikh resigned before delivering the speech.

Layton lauded the Federation des communautes francophones et acadiennes du Canada for "grabbing the tail of this beast and trying to wrestle it to the ground."

The group is seeking an injunction to block what it considers an unconstitutional change to the census. It argues that the mandatory long-form census is critical to language rights and the provision of French-language services.
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"I think the documents that were revealed show ... Mr. Clement was not telling the truth to Canadians."
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▶ Liberal MP Bob Rae speaks to reporters during a press conference at the National Press Theatre in Ottawa yesterday.

Jellyfish sting hundreds in Spain

A vast flotilla of small, virtually undetectable jellyfish have stung hundreds of people on Spanish beaches this week — a swimmer's nightmare that biologists say will become increasingly common due to climate change and overfishing.

On Tuesday alone, 380 people were stung, compared to the usual four or five swimmers a day, said Juan Carlos Castellanos of the Elche city tourism department.

"In the five or six years I have been in this job, I have never seen anything like this," Castellanos said.

Officials stationed lookout boats offshore.

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More fish in the sea

Scientists say Spanish beachgoers are going to have to get used to higher concentrations of jellyfish.

- Normally, jellyfish are kept from getting close to the shore by a natural barrier of less-salty water formed with runoff from summer rains.
- But with rain more scant because of global warming, this protective cushion is weaker, said Jose Maria Gili, a jellyfish specialist at the Institute of Marine Sciences in Barcelona.
- Another problem is overfishing, which depletes stocks of tuna, swordfish and other species that are natural predators of jellyfish.

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Apparent car surfer rides into disaster

A woman in her 20s has been seriously injured in an apparent car-surfing stunt.

Witnesses saw the woman riding on the roof of a red SUV in Quebec City's Charlesbourg sector late Tuesday night.

They told police a woman fell off the vehicle, but the driver drove away.

Police are looking for the SUV's occupants.

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Quebec. Team player

▶ Jean Charest, left, and Jean-Marc Fournier are all smiles at a swearing-in ceremony yesterday.

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Bonjour, new minister

Quebec Premier Jean Charest has named Jean-Marc Fournier, a former cabinet minister who quit provincial politics, as his new justice minister. Fournier does not have a legislature seat and has to win a byelection.

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Heat on millions as Ramadan gets underway

- **Temperatures over 43 C in some Mideast countries**
- **But 'when you fast with belief, you don't feel it'**

The heat was on millions of Muslims across the Middle East yesterday.

They sweated their way through the start of Ramadan, beginning a month-long daylight fast in sweltering summer heat.

With temperatures over 43 C in some countries, governments and religious officials sought to lighten the holy month's burden by shortening work days, granting exemptions from the fast and even setting the clock back an hour.

Frequent power outages in places like Egypt, Iraq and the Gaza Strip compounded the struggle to give up food, drink and cigarettes during the searing 15-hour day.

Plan on observing Ramadan? There's an app for that. Scan code for story.

But most — even those forced by work to be in the heat — said faith would get them through.

"I praise God," said 24-year-old Hamas police officer Mohammed Hassouna, directing traffic at a sweltering Gaza intersection while wearing black fatigues and boots.

"When you fast with belief, you don't feel it."

Cobbler Soud Aziz, 39, sought to keep himself cool while fixing a sandal on a Baghdad sidewalk by frequently wiping his face with a wet cloth.

"I'm really having a hard time fasting today," he said, adding he had yet to earn enough to buy food to break the fast at sundown.

"I pray to God I'll have more customers."

Construction workers in Lebanon struck deals with their employers to work a few hours of their shift at night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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CHORNOBYL RISES AGAIN

Wildfires threaten Russia

Wildfires could stir radioactive particles left over from the 1986 Chornobyl nuclear disaster back into the air over western Russia, and authorities boosted forest patrols to keep the flames from contaminated areas.

Environmentalists and forest experts warned that the radioactive dust could be harmful, even though doses would likely be small.

"The danger is still there," Vladimir Chuprov of Russian Greenpeace told The Associated Press.

The country's Emergency Situations Ministry said at least six wildfires were spotted and extinguished this week in the Bryansk region — the part of Russia that suffered the most when the Chornobyl nuclear power plant's reactor No. 4 exploded during a pre-dawn test on April 26, 1986, spewing radioactive clouds over much of western Soviet Union and northern Europe.

The ministry had also reported sporadic wildfires last week, but said all were put out.

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Floods spur fear of Taliban revival

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▶ Pakistani villagers flee their homes due to heavy flooding in Basera, in central Pakistan.

Pakistan deploys 60,000 troops nationwide in flood relief efforts

The floods ravaging Pakistan are generating fears that Taliban insurgents could regroup amid the chaos and destruction. The country's already anemic economy is expected to weaken, increasing the poverty that is a factor in the militancy wracking the country.

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Appeal for help

United Nations asks for nearly $460 million to provide help to millions of flood victims in Pakistan.

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▶ NDP leader Jack Layton speaks to reporters at the National Press Theatre in Ottawa yesterday.

Cut Sask. slack: Layton

PM recently said he doesn't think a stimulus deadline extension is necessary, but said the Tory government is monitoring the situation

New Democrats are calling on the federal government to give Saskatchewan a break on stimulus funding.

NDP Leader Jack Layton says recent flooding and poor weather throughout the province means as many as 30 federally cost-shared infrastructure projects won't be completed by the March 31, 2011, funding deadline. He says the province should receive a special exemption.

Earlier this week the parliamentary budget officer raised concerns that as much as $500.5 million in funding would lapse because projects wouldn't be finished on time.

That means provinces and municipalities would be on the hook to complete the work.

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Police chief says she was victim of 'domestic incident'

Husband charged

▶ The chief's husband, David McMullan, 53, is charged with assault and assault causing bodily harm. He is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 13.

Belleville, Ont., police Chief Cory McMullan says she was the victim in a "domestic incident" at her home last Friday.

She says it is common for police to not identify anyone involved in domestic incidents in order to protect victims and their families.

But in an email to the media, McMullan said given her position in the community, "it is important to acknowledge that I am the victim."

McMullan added she suffered injuries "which required medical treatment," but would not be specific since the case is before the courts.

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Rare gold coin dug up in Israel

Coin may represent Cleopatra I, wife of Ptolemy V: Official

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▶ A 2,200-year-old coin is seen at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem yesterday.

Archaeologists say they have uncovered the heaviest and most valuable gold coin ever found in Israel.

The 2,200-year-old coin weighs 28 grams and was found at the Tel Kedesh site near the Lebanon border on June 22, according to yesterday's statement from the antiquities authority.

It said this coin is six times the weight of most others from that era.

Donald Ariel, head of the antiquities authority coin department, said the coin dates back to the rule of the Iraq-based Seleucid Empire, though it was minted by the Egyptian Ptolemies.

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Anti-HST petition valid in B.C., but action delayed

700K

Organizers say they collected more than 700,000 names by the time the petition was handed in.

The petition to repeal the HST in British Columbia is valid, but organizers of the campaign against the unpopular tax aren't happy.

Elections B.C. said yesterday organizers successfully collected signatures from at least 10 per cent of the population in each of the province's 85 ridings.

However, B.C.'s chief electoral officer said no action will be taken until a court case on the legality of the HST is decided.

Fight-HST leader Bill Vander Zalm said yesterday he's frustrated that they'll have to wait. He also threatened to start a campaign to recall Liberal MLAs who support the HST.

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Zimbabwe peddles 'blood' diamonds

Human Rights Watch says children as young as 10 forced to work up to 11 hours a day with no pay

Zimbabwe began selling 900,000 carats of rough diamonds yesterday that were mined from an area where human rights groups say soldiers killed 200 people, raped women and forced children into hard labour.

Investigators for the world's diamond control body, the Kimberley Process, said last year the gems were mined at the Marange diamond fields by virtual slaves who had been told to dig or die, and were smuggled out by soldiers who raped and beat civilians. Yet the the body said those gems didn't qualify as "blood" diamonds.

"The tragedy of Zimbabwe is that the Kimberley Process has started legitimizing, legalizing, kosherizing blood diamonds," said former World Diamond Council chief Martin Rapaport.

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Trade deficit symptom of slowdown

U.S. trade deficit also up • Toronto and New York markets fall • Fears grow of double-dip recession

Canada's trade deficit almost doubled in June as exports collapsed, adding significant new drag to the country's slowing economic recovery.

The trade report released Wednesday, coupled with a similarly weak reading south of the border, suggests the recovery in North America has entered a critical stage after a strong rebound earlier in the year.

"It's just unfortunate that suddenly we are getting a whirlwind of reports that just a few weeks ago were looking strong, suddenly giving back that strength," said economist Douglas Porter of BMO Capital Markets.

$1.1B Canada's trade deficit for June, almost double the deficit in May.

Statistics Canada said exports fell 2.5 per cent in June, while imports dropped 1.2 per cent.

That left the country with a $1.1-billion trade deficit for the month, deeper than May's $695-million shortfall, which in itself had been revised upwards from the previously reported $503 million.

The news was, if anything, worse in the United States, which given a weak domestic economy has been counting on exports to keep its recovery on life-support. The U.S. trade deficit ballooned 19 per cent to $49.9 billion in June, far more than anticipated and the highest since October 2008.

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Cooler climate hits China

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T.O. miner posts Q2 drop

Toronto-based miner Iamgold cited a drop in gold sales and higher production costs for a sharp 19 per cent decline in earnings in the second quarter, despite strong prices for the precious metal.

The mid-tier gold miner, which mines in Canada, Africa and South America, said it earned $35.7 million US, or 10 cents a share, in the period ended June 30. That compared with earnings of $44.1 million in the same 2009 quarter.

Those increases were mainly the result of temporarily reduced grades at the company's Rosebel mine due to heavy rainfall, as well as lower grades at the Sadiola and Yatela operations in Mali, the company said.

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InnVest earns $1.3M profit

InnVest Real Estates Investment Trust, Canada's largest hotel owner, has credited improved occupancy for a major increase in revenue per available room and a return to profitability in the second quarter.

The company said it earned $1.3 million.

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Cautious outlook for grocer

Metro Inc. saw its profits and sales grow in the third quarter but the supermarket chain expects to feel pressure from deflation, especially from lower meat and fruit prices at least through the fall.

The grocer's net earnings for the period ended July 3 increased 6.6 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Amid volatility, CPPIB eyeing opportunities

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▶ Access to credit markets can be difficult in unstable markets, CPPIB president and CEO David Denison says.

$3.8B in contributions helped offset a $1.7B loss on equity investments

The CPP Investment Board faces a conundrum in a volatile economic environment — the downturn has created a wealth of attractive acquisition opportunities but tight credit markets make it difficult to secure financing.

"We are seeing some good investment opportunities and where we do, as we did last quarter, we're taking advantage of those," CPPIB president and CEO David Denison said yesterday in an interview to discuss the fund's first-quarter results.

"(But) if you're trying to be a disciplined investor and look at investment opportunities over three, six, nine months, it's very hard without a stable credit market to be able to proceed with confidence," he added.

"Despite the fact that global public equity markets were down... what some of our other categories did was offset that downturn."

DAVID DENISON, CPPIB PRESIDENT

The fund made a number of plays for lucrative assets in real estate, infrastructure and Canada's oilsands in the quarter.

"There's a lot of mortgage refinancing that has got to take place over the next 24 months and not all of that financing is available. So part of what will happen is sales of properties, so it's a good time for us to be a buyer," he added.

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JOHN MAZEROLLE

Welcome to Advice 101, so called because it was ranked 101st best column in Canada by a team of Internet message board commentators who agree that there should a White Heterosexual Male Day.

Q Hey, John! I hear you're looking for an apartment. As a trained advice columnist, what tips would you give somebody looking for a new place?

A Well, apartment hunting can be a slow and frustrating ordeal, or a rushed and unsatisfying one. The choice is yours.

The first thing to remember is that, no matter what apartment you choose, there's a better apartment that you missed. The best way to deal with disappointment is to brace for it.

Q What are some key signs that an apartment is not right for you?

A One sure sign — and this really happened to me — is you discover that the house number has been drawn onto the door with liquid paper and is still wet.

While the extra effort was appreciated, it changed my prepared questions from concerns like "Is the water pressure strong?" to concerns like "Is there a toilet?"

I still took the tour to be polite, then declined. I like to think the lightbulbs were freshly screwed in on my way over so that I didn't have to fumble around in the dark. It's the little things.

"The ideal apartment would be covered in that non-stick coating they put on frying pans."

Q And what "little things" should one check for?

A Take this checklist with you:

- Are the mice friendly?
- Is there police tape? How much?
- Does the landlord believe that evolution happened in quick spurts? Or steadily over time? Judge him accordingly.

Q What would you consider the ideal apartment?

A I'm a respectful apartment dweller, but I'm a bit of a slob. And by "a bit," I mean I once knocked over a coffee in my apartment and was delighted when it did not spill anywhere because it had hardened into a new invention I call Coffee Flakes. The patent is pending.

So then, the ideal apartment would be covered in that non-stick coating they put on frying pans. There would be a drainage hole in one corner of the apartment and a jack in the other. Once a month I would jack up one side of the apartment and let slide out all of the items that wouldn't come clean, such as the Barcalounger.

If you see anything like this on Craigslist and it's within 500 metres of a bus station, let me know. I'm liquid-paper flexible.

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MICHAEL DE ADDER

Low-maintenance loyalty

Letters & Tweets

We asked: What's the better pet — dogs or cats?

TORONTO. Dogs are loyal, cute and can guard a house when you are working all day. Playing a game of fetch is stress relieving and looks cool. Cats ignore you, relieve themselves in a box indoors and are otherwise useless.

I know some people think cats are better as a pet because you have to earn their friendship, but if I am going to work hard on a relationship, it's going to be for human friends and family.

A pet should just be happy to be along for the ride ... it's ok to stick your head out the window.
JASON HARRIS

EDMONTON. @mikeatqazam Dogs of course, they'll actually listen to you. Ever try to get a cat to listen to you? Good luck.

Re: Going, going Ghana (Aug. 4)

TORONTO. I was surprised and at the same time pleased to read this article by Romina McGuinness.

Here is one Western journalist who, unlike several others, sought to portray a few positive aspects of an African country — a far departure from the usual Africa-bashing. Thanks, Romina.
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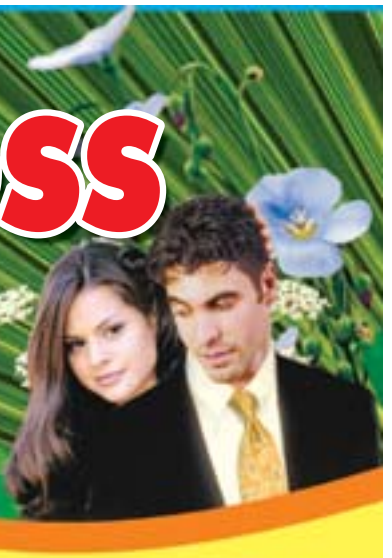

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Project helped New Pornographers singer deal with mother's illness and death Plans solo tour next year

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When most musicians release an album they spend months touring in support of it. But not Vancouver musician Kathryn Calder — she's has no intention of quitting her day job, as a singer in the New Pornographers, to play her debut solo album around the country.

And you can't blame her — when I called her last week she was hours away from playing Lollapalooza with the Pornographers. "It's a pretty big show," she said, a major understatement considering she'd likely be working small bars if she were playing her own record across the country.

She will tour, she says, probably next year, when her main band's hectic schedule relaxes. Until then you'll have to listen to her passionate debut disc, Are You My Mother?, which was written and recorded in the months before her mother passed away from ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

While Calder, who also played with Immaculate Machine, had always wanted to write a solo record, it wasn't until her mom got sick that she decided to go for it.

"I don't feel overshadowed in the New Pornographers. Maybe that wasn't the case when I first joined — half the fans thought I was Neko (Case). "
KATHRYN CALDER

"Her illness was a gentle motivation," she says. "I wanted her to hear it because I knew she would really enjoy it. I didn't want to look back and regret waiting."

You might expect the disc to be full of depressing dirges, but it's not. There are some somber tunes — Arrow is a stunning track that's clearly about her losing her mom — but there's also some upbeat power pop numbers like the Pornographers sounding Follow Me Into The Hills.

"It was a conscious decision. I didn't want the record to be all one mood," she says. "I didn't want it to be a sad, dark record. My mom's illness wasn't the only thing that was happening to me at the time — there were some happy moments too."

Clearly, Calder's open about what she went through. She admits that it's been hard to put herself out there, but it's helped her deal with her mom's death.

"Just writing about what was going on helped in some way or another," she says. "In my first interview, which was for my home town paper, I did get teary. But there's no way I could not talk about this — it was so tied into the record. Plus, if it raises awareness of ALS then all the better."

Go your own way

Kathryn Calder is not the only member of a supergroup who has gone solo. Here are a few others:

- **Feist:** She's now famous for her soft, jazz-tinged tunes, but it was as a member of Broken Social Scene and By Divine Right where she got to hone her chops.
- **Scott Weiland:** The drug-addled vocalist will be best remembered for fronting Stone Temple Pilots and singing in Velvet Revolver, but he did try to go out on his own with 2008's Happy in Galoshes.
- **Slash:** Another Velvet Revolver alum, the legendary guitarist has been in and out of supergroups forever. But, unlike Wieland, his 2010 debut self-titled solo disc was actually pretty good.
- **Chris Cornell:** Soundgarden's singer has been in two supergroups — Temple of the Dog and Audioslave. He should have stuck with them; his three solo albums are low spots in his career.

▶ New Pornographers' singer Kathryn Calder has a new solo album called Are You My Mother?

News in brief

A documentary on the Queen is set to air on CBC next month. The public broadcaster says it will show Queen Elizabeth in 3-D on Sept. 20. A special TV is not needed to see the program, but viewers will require 3-D glasses to experience the effects.

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All these years under Julia's magic spell

Roberts swept us off our feet with her effervescent role in Pretty Woman and took home the Oscar for Erin Brockovich A look at her top 5 movies

▶ Roberts first conquered Hollywood with Pretty Woman.

▶ 2000's Erin Brockovich confirmed Julia's superstar status.

Eat Pray Love allows Julia Roberts to show off the best of what she can do: flash that radiant smile and let loose with that hearty laugh, but also provoke more than a tear or two in emotionally weighty scenes.

An A-lister with irresistible magnetism, Roberts is a movie star through and through but she can also really act, as evidenced by her three Oscar nominations and one win.

It was hard to winnow the list down, but here's a look at the five most notable performances of Roberts' long and illustrious career:

Erin Brockovich (2000)
The title may have seemed like a head-scratcher at the time but there was no mistaking Roberts' dominance in taking on the true story of a trash-talking environmental crusader.

The hair, boobs and skintight clothes all grabbed our attention off the top. But Roberts' feistiness and smarts and just the sheer power of her personality are what ultimately resonated. Director Steven Soderbergh, with whom she's worked repeatedly, also allowed her to show some vulnerability in her scenes with Aaron Eckhart as the biker boyfriend who lives next door. This is the role that earned her a well-deserved Academy Award for best actress.

Pretty Woman (1990)
This movie could not come out today — not without a shred of irony. But 20 years ago, it asked us to accept not only that a prostitute could walk the streets of Los Angeles looking like Julia Roberts, but that she'd also turn out to be charming and poised enough to accompany a wealthy businessman to polo matches and high-pressure society events. Nevertheless, Roberts made it work in the performance that made her a superstar. Those endless legs in the knee-high boots alone would have made you stop and take a look, but her effervescence and an almost childlike enthusiasm made the performance surprisingly sweet (and earned her the first of her best-actress nominations.)

Steel Magnolias (1989)
She was pretty much an unknown at this point but she stole the spotlight away from much more seasoned actresses, including Sally Field as her mother and the scenery-chewing Olympia Dukakis and Shirley MacLaine as a couple of bickering biddies.

In a small Louisiana town filled with larger-than-life characters who sat around a beauty parlour gossiping all day, Roberts stood out for the loveliness of her youth and promise.

And in a film jammed with melodrama, she got the tear-jerkiest story line of all. Still, it was a performance that helped put her on the map and led to an Oscar nomination for best supporting actress.

Closer (2004)
A rare chance for Roberts to show an ugly side. Then again, everyone screwed everyone else over at some point in Mike Nichols' film, which screenwriter Patrick Marber adapted from his own London stage production. Roberts played a photographer who winds up in various romantic permutations with Jude Law and Clive Owen, and the scene in which Owen confronts her about an infidelity is devastating.

It was thrilling to see Roberts in a darker role, one that allowed her to deviate so vastly from her persona as one of America's Sweethearts (which, by the way, is the title of one of many romantic comedies in which she's starred).

Duplicity (2009)
Roberts and Owen reteamed for a little more fun this time. They enjoyed a delightful chemistry as

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former spies and on-again, off-again lovers who scheme to steal tens of millions of dollars from the duelling corporate behemoths that employ them.

Roberts looked great here in her return to leading-lady status after a few years off — strong, curvy, formidable. Writer-director Tony Gilroy's storytelling was dense and full of twists but the tone also had a sly, sexy playfulness about it. Roberts was ready for every challenge thrown her way.

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▶ Roberts showed her dark side in 2004's Closer, also starring Jude Law.

▶ Pink Floyd founder Roger Waters.

Wall song a tool for protest: Waters

Pink Floyd founder Roger Waters has no qualms about giving a Canadian band permission to tinker with his band's classic Another Brick in the Wall for use as an anthem for young Iranians.

Toronto-based band Blurred Vision, fronted by two exiled Iranian brothers, has reworked the lyrics to express the resentment felt by young people toward the government of Iran, where it's illegal to play rock music. One well-known verse was changed to "Hey, Ayatollah, leave those kids alone!"

Waters said he encourages artists to use the song to resist all forms of oppression. He said in a statement that he sees the band as playing a vital part in "the resistance to a regime that is both repressive and brutal."

Waters took time from rehearsing for his upcoming world tour to address the issue.

"I applauded and supported the resistance of schoolchildren in South Africa to that repressive and brutal regime," he said, "and also applaud and support the resistance of Palestinian children in Gaza and the West Bank to the repressive and brutal occupation they endure."

The Blurred Vision brothers — 28-year-old Sepp and 35-year-old Sohl — hope the song will show solidarity for Iranians fighting for freedom. The brothers do not make their last name public because of concern for the well-being of family members in Iran.

The video for the song includes footage from the 2009 Iranian presidential election. Many Iranians feel the footage was altered for television by the government's cleric leadership. The video, directed by acclaimed filmmaker Babak Payami, has been seen by more than 235,000 viewers on YouTube.

Waters begins his tour of The Wall in Toronto on Sept. 15. Another Brick in the Wall is from that classic 1979 album.

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▶ Flavour Flav, left, and Chuck D keep bringing their music to the people.

Public Enemy's world conquest

Groundbreaking hip-hop group going strong more than 20 years after breaking into mainstream ◐ Band wants to play in every country

As the leader of the legendary hip-hop group Public Enemy, Chuck D has spent more time at the airport than some pilots. Those frequent flier miles have definitely piled up. In fact, the frontman sees traveling as the key to the group's longevity.

"The minute we were able to get passports, Public Enemy was the first group to explore," he says. "So all the places that we laid seed in years ago are now continuing to bear fruit."

The traveling is nothing new. PE has been taking their socially conscious brand of hip-hop around the world almost from the beginning of their career.

Now on the eve of releasing a new fan-financed album (more than 20 years after releasing classics like It Takes A Nation of Millions To Hold Us Back and Fear Of A Black Planet) and a tour that is taking them around North America, it doesn't look like a break is coming soon.

"We've only been to 70 countries out of the total of 212. We go to countries like people go to cities. And we haven't run out of countries," he laughs. "People ask, 'Hey what have y'all been doing?' and I say we been busy. We just ain't been to your town. Yet."

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Bring that beat back

▶ **Among the first** to embrace the Internet with a digital record label, Chuck D has launched Hiphopgods.com, set to be an online archive of all things hip-hop and an online museum. "I was inspired by classic rock radio," he says. "Hiphopgods.com is where classic rap lives on."

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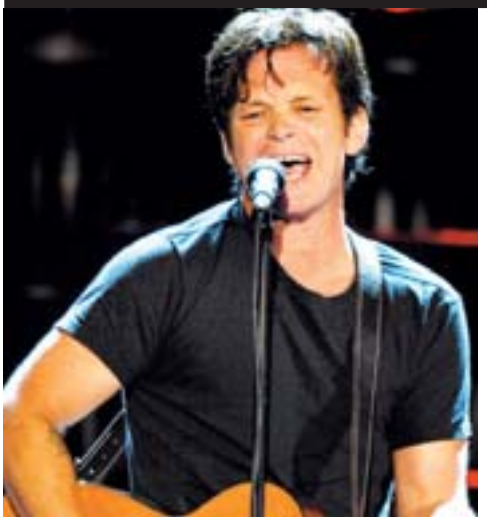

A triumph of Americana folk rock

John Mellencamp
Album: No Better Than This
Label: Rounder
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John Mellencamp has been telling us for years that he doesn't want to be a rock star anymore. Just in case you didn't get the message with his raw 2008 release Life, Death, Love and Freedom, he's now served up No Better Than This — an album that proudly proclaims "recorded in mono" on its jacket. It sounds like it fell off the back of a chuck wagon steered by geezer twins Willie Nelson and Bob Dylan — which in many ways it was. Mellencamp recorded it off a single microphone while touring minor league baseball parks with the two legendary songwriters. He even taped one track — Right Behind Me — in the same San Antonio hotel room that Robert Johnson recorded Cross Road Blues. The end result, pieced together by producer T-Bone Burnett, is a lo-fi triumph of Americana folk rock a la Johnny Cash, John Prine or Steve Earle. The voice is ragged but the title track's message is starkly clear — eat up life now cuz there ain't no seconds. It may be a bit jaded, even a tad cynical, but, at 59, Mellencamp can do as he pleases. Rock stars come and go. Great songs never die.
Outstanding track: Save Some Time to Dream
GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM

Scott Pilgrim Vs. The World
Album: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack
Label: ABKCO/Universal
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Rarely does a soundtrack warrant a listen anymore, but Scott Pilgrim Vs. The World is full of curiosities. There is the requisite filler, but this is boosted by Beck and hometown boys Broken Social Scene, who have assumed the guise of bands from the film. As Sex Bob-Omb (Pilgrim's band in the film), Beck embraces his old slacker self with some amateurish garage punk, while BSS try sludgy hardcore as Crash and the Boys. It's all good fun.
Outstanding track: Scott Pilgrim.
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Hawksley Workman
Album: Milk
Label: Isadora
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Hawksley Workman's never shied away from exploring new sounds, but it doesn't always work. On Milk, his electro-pop experiment that he already released digitally on his website, is a major disappointment. Besides the amped up rock track We Dance to Yesterday — one of the singer's best songs — the rest of the album is extremely difficult to listen to.
Outstanding track: We Dance to Yesterday.
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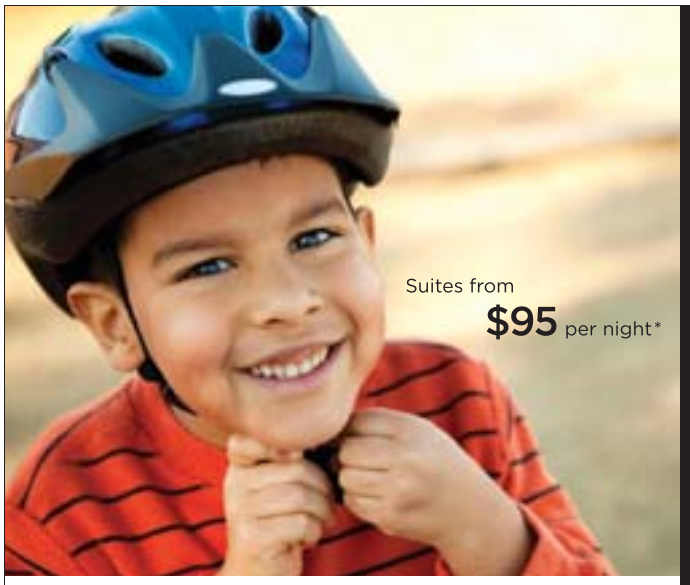

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▶ Arcade Fire's Win Butler.

Arcade Fire top charts

Arcade Fire's third record has burned up the charts around the world.

The Suburbs has debuted at No. 1 on the Canadian, U.K. and U.S. charts.

The band's label, Merge Records, announced the news via Twitter, while labelmates Spoon tweeted that Arcade Fire's record sold 156,000 copies in its first week in the U.S.

The Montrealers also took top spot in Canada on the Nielsen Soundscan charts, becoming the fourth Canuck act to debut at No. 1 this year (following Justin Bieber, Drake and Broken Social Scene).

Arcade Fire was also No. 1 in Canada on HMV.ca, iTunes and Amazon.

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Website keeps Carson alive and kicking

- Tonight Show episodes digitally restored and available for online viewing
- Complete vault will be opened to general public in future, nephew says

For three decades, Johnny Carson tucked his audience into bed while welcoming thousands of guests to The Tonight Show.

Now the full Carson canon has been restored, digitized, annotated and transcribed.

One result of this huge archiving effort will be an upgraded website for fans containing dozens of clips for ready viewing.

Yes, there will be a boosted product line of Tonight DVD sets for purchasing through the website.

"But it will also become more of an entertainment site," said Jeff Sotzing, president of Carson Entertainment Group, a former Tonight producer and Carson's nephew. "There will be 40 to 50 clips, which we will change on a regular basis."

A companion clip-licensing website is also going live this week. Accessible only to media professionals who establish accounts, this site takes full advantage of the Tonight cataloguing project, with a total of 3,300 hours of searchable program content keyed to any search term. For example, the search engine locates 1,570 instances of Hi-yo, announcer Ed McMahon's hearty greeting to Johnny. Any of them can be instantly streamed.

4,500
Number of nights Johnny Carson held court on The Tonight Show until retiring in May 1992.

While certain early episodes were erased by NBC, the library reaches back as far as Carson's first weeks on the air in October 1962 (such as a session of Stump the Band on October 31, with then-bandleader Skitch Henderson).

While specifying no time table for opening the vault to Carson fans, Sotzing said, "I don't want to keep them out for long."

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▶ Ed McMahon, left, shakes hands wit

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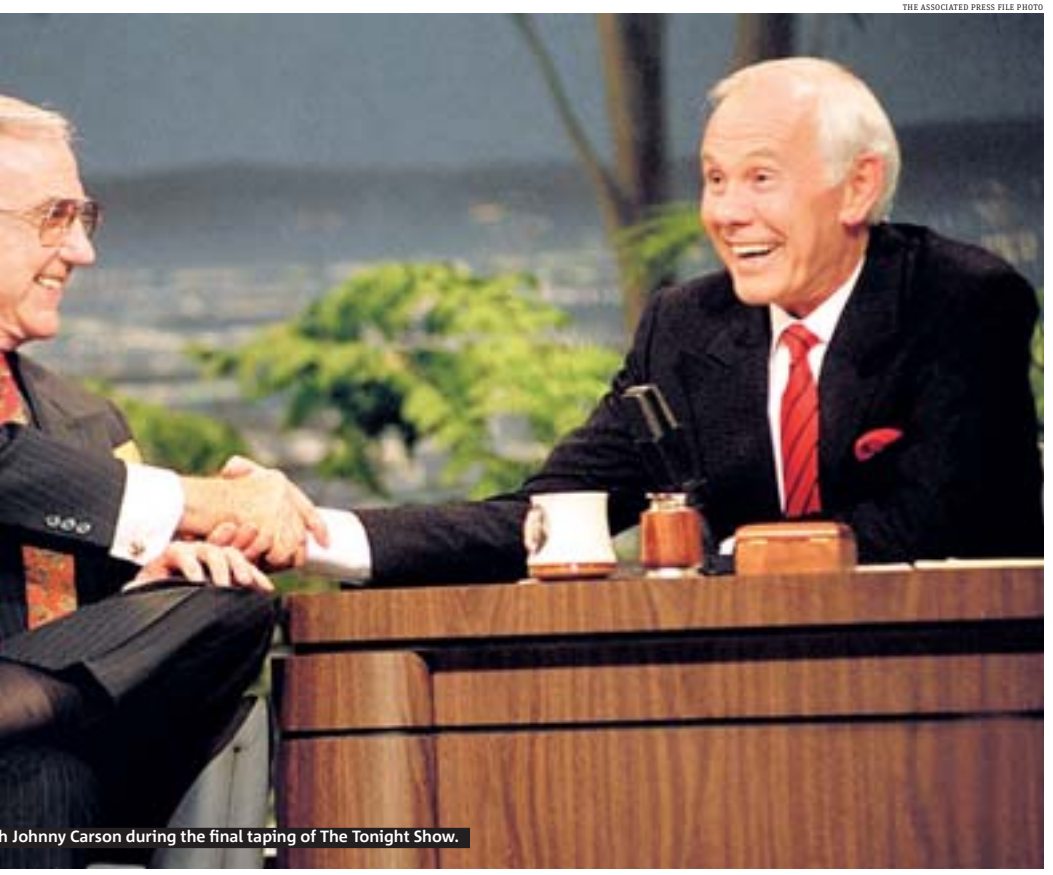

h Johnny Carson during the final taping of The Tonight Show.

Witherspoon to play Peggy Lee

You can't say Is That All There Is? about Reese Witherspoon's career. She'll play jazz great Peggy Lee in a Nora Ephron-directed biopic, writes Daily Variety.

This isn't Witherspoon's first time taking on the role of a famous singer. She won an Oscar in 2005 for playing June Carter in Walk the Line alongside Joaquin Phoenix, where she did all her own singing as the country star.

Variety reported earlier that Witherspoon secured the rights to Lee's story from the singer prior to her death at age 81 in 2002 and has decided the movie's story will focus on the personal and professional life of the jazz singer.

The blond Lee, who had a cooly sexy stage presence, endured a difficult, often-abusive childhood and was married four times. She started out singing with Benny Goodman's band in 1941 and went on to record more than 40 hit singles. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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▶ That is going to be one angry, musical child.

Ottawa-born Morissette takes to Twitter to announce that she and husband Souleye are expecting

Alanis Morissette and new husband Mario Treadway are expecting a baby.

The Ottawa singer announced the news via Twitter after discussing the pregnancy in Us magazine. "yes, happy news....i'm pregnant :)," Morissette wrote on the social networking site yesterday morning. "we're so excited to start our family.... xo a."

Morissette married Treadway, who performs as a singer and rapper under the name Souleye, in May.

The 36-year-old Morissette has sold more than 60 million albums and has won seven Grammy Awards and 12 Junos.

She was previously engaged to fellow Canadian actor Ryan Reynolds – their relationship lasted for four years until both went their separate ways in 2006. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Kate Winslet in less weird times.

Winslet 'weirded out' by sex scenes in front of husband

Even before their split, tensions were already mounting between Kate Winslet and Sam Mendes while filming 2008's Revolutionary Road, especially during intimate scenes with co-star Leonardo DiCaprio, according to the Sydney Morning Herald. "It was certainly a difficult time," DiCaprio says, according to the newspaper. "She was really worried that Sam wasn't bothered by the fact that his wife was making out with another guy right in front of her. I told her it was only acting, but she kept on saying, 'This is really weird.'" METRO WORLD

Lohan judge recuses herself

The judge who sent Lindsay Lohan to jail has removed herself from the case after a prosecutor complained she improperly contacted a rehab centre about the court-ordered treatment of the actress.

District attorney spokeswoman Jane Robison said yesterday that Judge Marsha Revel recused herself Friday.

Robison says the contact with the rehab centre was among several instances when Revel improperly communicated with participants and experts without the prosecutor present. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Everything she touches turns to bad behaviour.

Talking points

Szohr a no-show at event

SPOTTED IN CHICAGO: TWO ENTITLED BRATS. Gossip Girl stars Jessica Szohr and Ed Westwick, who have apparently rekindled their romance, holed up in a Chicago hotel last weekend and racked up an $800 bill on room service and minibar purchases, according to Page Six. Szohr was supposed to be in town to make an appearance at a Lollapalooza event, but never made it, enraging the organizer. "When the event boss phoned Jessica and said he was canceling their flights, she said, 'We don't need to do this. We can pay our own way,'" a source says.

Boy George sniffs over Gaga's coke admission

DRUGS AREN'T COOL, KIDS. NEITHER ARE ARTISTS WHO USE THEM AS THINLY-VEILED PUBLICITY PLOYS. Boy George isn't impressed with Lady Gaga's admission to Vanity Fair magazine that she uses cocaine occasionally. "Could it be that her use of coke is not so 'occasional'?" he writes in a blog post for Paper magazine. "As a recovering addict who knows how dangerous 'occasional' use is, I can think of no reason for Gaga to reveal this to her young audience. My mum had the best take on this: 'She's reached the stage where she feels untouchable. You all get there — you did, Son.' I can't argue with that!" METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrity tweets

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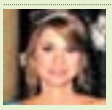
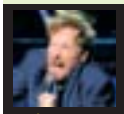


Queen Rania [@Queen-Rania] Discovering more of italy's treasures. 1st Stromboli, & just climbed Vulcano. Gorgeous backdrops 4 precious time with my kids.

Alyssa Milano [@Alyssa-Milano] You know what I love? I love how excited my dogs get about their dinner even though it's always the same dinner.



Conan O'Brien [@Conan-OBrien] Ricky Gervais asked me to tweet that his movie Cemetery Junction is playing at Mann Theatre in Glendale. I refuse

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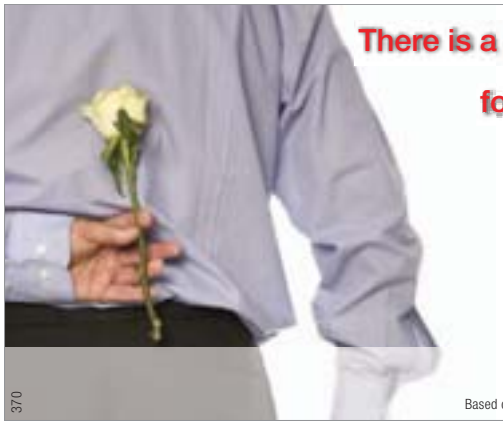

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The science of fit: Thin isn't always in, says Paige

Designer and former anorexic shares her story about how curves helped her career ◆ Today, her denim is one of the most sought-after brands in Hollywood

▶ Paige Adams-Geller designs jeans for women of all sizes. She has even sent back models she feels are too skinny.

JORDANA DIVON
FOR METRO CANADA

Paige Adams-Geller has a surprising message for fans of her eponymous denim line: Thin isn't necessarily in.

The L.A.-based former model and pageant queen says she spent years battling anorexia to fit the industry standard, but it was only after she recovered to a healthy weight that her career took off.

"When I went to treatment (for anorexia), I gained weight quickly, and it was a very scary feeling because you don't know when it's going to stop," she recalls. "But that's when I met the guys from Lucky Brand Jeans, who told me I had the perfect proportions for their line. And it was such an unusual feeling to be rewarded for being fuller and more curvy."

As a size 6, Adams-Geller's curves filled out the jeans much better than her size 0 counterparts. In fact, she looked so good in denim that she quickly became the most sought after fit model in a town of tiny tushes.

"I think that fit never goes out of style no matter what you're doing in a line."
PAIGE ADAMS-GELLER, DESIGNER

"Going in and trying on these jeans and having them feel great and look great was a new experience for me," she says. "And if I started to get too skinny, I wouldn't get paid – so I had to keep my weight up and that's when I learned to finally appreciate that I looked healthier and felt better."

With years of experience under her custom leather belt, Adams-Geller managed to incorporate all she'd learned into a science: The science of fit. By 2005, the newly minted designer debuted Paige Denim to a public ravenous for proper-fitting jeans. A book and a website specifically designed to match body type to the right cut followed soon after.

"I think that fit never goes out of style no matter what you're doing in a line. I could do denim, non-denim, jackets, gowns, and to find a great-fitting article of clothing is the most important thing," she says.

While her brand has taken off amongst young Hollywood celebrities, Adams-Geller wants her clients to know that her jeans are meant to fit everyone. She even makes a point of sending models back to their agencies if they're too skinny.

"You're supposed to fill out jeans, you're not supposed to have a saggy butt!" she says with a laugh. "So it's been interesting trying to get that message out there while finding a hip, cool model that's not plus size but looks great in the jeans."

For more information, check out paigeusa.com.

Perfecting the fit

First thing's first: Stop obsessing over the number sewn into your pants. "People can be fixated on sizes and there's no set standard in the industry for what a size is," Paige Adams-Geller advises.

- **Crack is wack:** Ladies and gentlemen, have a seat. "I think that one of the biggest mistake people make is to not do the sit-down test," says Paige.
- **Loose Cannon:** On the other hand, too much give isn't good either. "Most jeans will tend to grow a bit, so you need to walk around in them, bend, flex ... you don't want your it to look dumpy."

News in brief

NARS Cosmetics introduces two new compact palettes for fall — Beautiful Life for lips and cheeks ($65) (pictured); and Only You for eyes and cheeks ($75). Both palettes will be available at Holt Renfrew, The Bay and Murale locations.
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Levi's aims to talk about shape, not size with new Curve ID denim line for women.

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▶ These images from Vogue Italia's August issue feature model Kristen McMenamy posing in a post-BP wasteland.

Oil spill-inspired fashion

Does Vogue Italia's eery 'Water & Oil' spread cross the line? The debate stretches from blogosphere to beaches

Think prone and dirty on jagged rocks, netting draped around her legs like a dead sea creature.

There she is again, lying on her back in a feathered dress, and in close up, her hair and face sleek with oil.

A stirring photo spread in the August issue of Vogue Italia was inspired by the Gulf oil spill, leaving readers wondering if the magazine crossed from evocative to insensitive. Editor-in-chief Franca Sozzani understands the debate stretching from blogosphere to beaches and said the motivation is straightforward.

"The message is to be careful about nature," she said by telephone from Milan, Italy. "Just to take care more about nature. ... I understand that it could be shocking to see and to look in this way these images."

The spread, featuring Kristen McMenamy, is titled "Water & Oil" and was shot in Los Angeles by a leading fashion photographer, Steven Meisel. In another of the photos, the grey-haired McMenamy is covered in oil, spitting up water while clutching her neck.

"They are teasing BP. It doesn't offend me," said Lauren Crappel of Houma, La., as she slathered sunscreen on a child while unpacking her car in a Pensacola Beach parking lot.

Virginia Contreras of Navarre, Fla., said the photos were making light of the disaster. "I think they are making light of the oil spill. Everyone isn't going to the beaches and people have lost their jobs here because of the oil," she said.

Sozzani said the shoot reflects the magazine's effort to "find an idea that comes from real life. ... There is nothing political. There is nothing social. It's only visually. We gave a message but in a visual way."

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FRANCA SOZZANI, VOGUE ITALIA EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Some bloggers weren't pleased. Dodai Stewart, deputy editor of Jezebel, called the spread inappropriate.

"I didn't feel it made a statement," she said in an interview. "I felt that they used the oil spill as a backdrop. There was one picture that had feathers. ... What makes a stronger statement about oil-slicked birds is an oil-slicked bird."

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Actress Jennifer Aniston pays the ultimate tribute to Barbra Streisand in the September issue of Harper's Bazaar The 41-year-old beauty recreates iconic portraits of the legendary singer/actress/director.

Aniston gets her close-up Streisand-style

There are Barbra Streisand fans, and then there's Jennifer Aniston.

Aniston recreates iconic portraits of Streisand in a lavish Mark Seliger photo spread in the new issue of Harper's Bazaar. The magazine is on newsstands this week.

"The shoot was just fun," the 41-year-old actress said Saturday while promoting her new film, The Switch.

"Look, you're dressing up in wigs and costumes and going into this beautiful theatre in downtown Los Angeles, and her voice is booming through the speakers," she said. "And you get chills. It was almost like ... 'cause photo shoots I'm always uncomfortable in, because that sort of thing is not my career, it's not my profession. So, it was sort of fun to kind of play a character like that."

Her fascination reaches beyond Streisand's look.

"I want to sing like Barbra!" she joked.

And like Streisand, Aniston wants to direct. She got a taste of behind-the-camera work directing the 2006 short Room 10.

"I really am chomping at the bit to do that next. It was so creatively fulfilling.

"Photo shoots I'm always uncomfortable in, because that sort of thing is not my career ... So it was sort of fun to kind of play a character like that."
JENNIFER ANISTON

And I'm ready to do something else. It's time to sort of explore and I love this (acting). I'll never stop doing this until people say, 'Stop!' And maybe even then I won't stop," she said with a laugh. "But it's just time to sort of change it up."

The Switch will be released Aug. 20.

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▶ Jennifer Aniston poses as Barbra Streisand, a photo shoot by Mark Seliger in the September issue of Harper's Bazaar.

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▶ A model has her makeup done backstage during Toronto Fashion Week. The 'bare' look was hot on fall 2010 runways.

Get back to the basics with fall makeup trends

Minimalism ruled the fall 2010 runway, where smooth and super-straight locks a la Kate Moss were paired with dewy bare faces and an effortlessly cool smokey eye.

Get the look at home by simplifying your makeup regime using the basic beauty essentials already in your faithful makeup kit.

Bare Face Beauty
Embrace the "no-makeup" makeup trend by giving your skin a healthy-looking glow with a homemade tinted moisturizer. Dip one end of a Q-tips cotton swab into a face cream designed for dry skin, place on the back of your hand. Dip the other end of the swab into your liquid foundation and mix into the cream. Apply on the face for a sheer and lightweight version of your regular foundation with added moisturization.

Sleek Strands
This season, bring out the natural beauty of your hair by keeping your locks healthy and static-free. Dip one end of a cotton swab into moisturizer and place on the palm of your hand. Rub both hands together until almost all of the product is absorbed. Then gently run your fingers through your hair. The cream on your hands will help to tame the fly-aways and static in seconds.

The Smokey Eye
Always on-trend, the smokey eye gets an update this season with refined shades of brown. Start with a chocolate brown eyeliner pencil (or make your own eyeliner by mixing a brown eyeshadow with a bit of Vaseline Petroleum Jelly). Rim the top and bottom of your lash line. Continue applying the eyeliner by creating a thick line to the top eyelid (don't worry about making the line look perfect). With a cotton swab, smudge the liner on the top eyelid and the bottom lash line, until it's well blended. Finish the look, by curling your lashes with an eyelash curler and applying several coats of volumizing black mascara.

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At first blush

Girls are being exposed to and using beauty products at a younger age, but it's wearing off sooner, according to market research ◗ Beauty editor offers tweens advice on how to wear it in an age appropriate fashion

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▶ Among 13- to 17-year-olds, 47 per cent are wearing mascara on a regular basis.

It starts with gloss and polish, then it's mascara and eyeliner.

To parents, it might seem as if their girls are wearing makeup overnight, but sales figures show that it's a steady progression from essentially toddlers to teens — with a surge of interest during the tween years.

But engagement with colour cosmetics is waning among young women, age 18 and up, according to market research firm The NPD Group.

Young girls are becoming exposed to beauty routines earlier on — especially with all the mother-daughter bonding that's going on at nail salons and spa birthday parties — but that excitement might be wearing off by the time older girls are establishing their own regimen, observes NPD beauty-industry analyst Karen Grant.

Overall, girls in the 13- to 17-year-old range still use more makeup than their younger sisters, but the percentage of the high schoolers using makeup now is less than it was a few years ago, while the percentage of elementary and middle-school girls is higher.

By age 18, these young women are looking to keep their skin healthy and enhance their appearance with a handful of tried-and-true cosmetics, Grant explains, but their experimental phase is largely over.

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Among eight- to 12-year-olds, 18 per cent are wearing mascara on a regular basis; 47 per cent of 13- to 17-year-olds and 56 per cent by age 18, according to Grant. Compared to 2007 levels, that is an eight per cent increase in usage of mascara by tweens, while lipstick had a five per cent increase.

"You've got girls asking, 'Do I really need this?'" says Grant. "Maybe it's not that exciting anymore because they've been using it since they were younger."

Eva Chen, beauty and health director at Teen Vogue, agrees that there's the excitement factor that comes with literally the first blush of beauty products — but that can get old.

"A lot of tween girls think makeup is really exciting to them when they first start to wear it because it's probably something they haven't been allowed to do . . . About 13 or 14, they feel like they're over lip gloss. They still wear it, but that's when they want to transition into mascara, but that's one more step for parents to accept."

Lip products is the most used cosmetic category across all ages, says Grant, with younger girls using balm, tweens and teens using gloss. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tips for teens

Someone definitely needs to tell girls not to try to look too old too fast, says Eva Chen, beauty and health director at Teen Vogue. "Teenagers have this glow, this beauty, that adults try to reproduce. They are very lucky to have it. Don't cover it up!" she says. Her other tips are:

- **Nail Polish** in neon pink, green, blue — what adults would largely see as crazy shades — look fun and playful on girls.
- **Red lips** aren't appropriate for a tween or even many teens. It's the kind of thing that gets people looking at your makeup when you want them looking at you, she says.
- **If you're** going to wear mascara, learn to wear it right. "You don't want it clumpy," Chen adds.

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Clothes swap works

Online site helps parents get back-to-school ready without spending

Kelly Trella has found a way to get rid of her two-year-old son's old clothes: She swaps them.

Trella was looking for a way to clear out her basement when she stumbled upon a magazine article about thredUP, a children's clothes swapping website. She signed up and has been swapping gently used clothes from her Meriden, Conn., home ever since.

"Its cost-effectiveness is terrific. It's really great to have an opportunity to share with folks around the country," she said.

ThredUP launched in mid-April and now has 15,000 members with another 1,000 being added each week. Founder and CEO James Reinhart says the Cambridge, Mass.-based company is trying to attract parents who are buying back-to-school clothes, which, he says, is one of the largest one-shot expenditures for families during the year.

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▶ Kelly Trella poses with her son Jake, 2, who is wearing an outfit that Trella received from swapping on thredUP, a children's clothes swapping website.

That thredUP even exists is surely driven by the economy, but there are other ways to swap clothes.

The retail chain Once Upon A Child sells new and gently used products in the U.S. and Canada. These days people who once only dropped off clothes are buying them, too, said Dawn Weston, owner of the franchise in Brandon, Fla.

"More people are being conservative. They are being conscious of what they spend," she said. "They didn't have to worry about it before. They still want their kids to have those really nice things, but they don't have the bucks to do it."

Online back-to-school swapping was a natural extension of clothing rental sites for grown-ups. At renttherunway.com, a $1,050 Herve Leger dress can be rented for $150, "to give every woman in American access to this Cinderella experience," said co-founder and CEO Jennifer Hyman. Expectant mothers can rent a pretty dress at RentMaternityWear.com.

ThredUP partnered with a Boston charity Cradle to Crayons to give $1 from every swap to the charity to help clothe children and buy them school supplies.

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Taking inspiration from retro Manhattan and historic Toronto, Trinity Lofts adds soul to loft living

▶ Every item in the Trinity Lofts model suite has a history and reason for being there.

Toronto and New York collide to create Corktown condo

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Jessica Helps and Jeff Schnitter of Seven Haus Design created an authentic New York-style loft design for the model suite at Trinity Lofts that not only melds modern style with old industrial motifs but also revs up the fun factor in a space that feels fresh.

"We wanted to bring back what an authentic, raw loft was — we were taking some concepts from 1960s Manhattan and bringing back the interiors to features that are really loft-like while still making it contemporary and fun and colourful," Helps said.

Helps and Schnitter made research a big part of their design process to help them capture the historical and cultural significance of the neighbourhood intersected by Corktown, Downtown East and the Distillery District.

The lowdown

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The orange, leather couch is a nod to the leather tanneries in the surrounding area and Helps took a 200-year-old piece of reclaimed barn wood and embedded an authentic piece of railway track into it as an ode to history of the local railways. Giant, polished ball bearings and plenty of other metal touches throughout the suite complete the industrial look.

"We don't like fussing things up too much, we like to have our finishes speak for themselves. Every piece has a reason and a story for being there," Helps said.

Hardwood flooring is extended up the main living room wall, adding warmth to the space while the bright, modern kitchen serves as both a practical and pleasurable meeting point.

"It's a fresh, crisp and inviting look — like you want to hang out there," Helps said.

Second look

FIVE Condos' furniture strikes gold in retro style

Designer Anna Simone chose striking, unadorned furniture to give the model suite at Five Condos at 5 St. Joseph a life of its own that harkens back to simpler design periods while still staying fresh and vibrant.

"There's a retro feel, we've brought elements of that into the space while keeping things unexpected," Simone said.

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Nursery time

Create a nurturing oasis for your precious new addition by customizing your baby's room to your taste and needs

When it comes to planning a nursery, even the most "design-impaired" people end up enjoying it. And with today's vast array of baby furniture and accessories, don't be afraid to go bold.

According to interior designer Erin Feasby, co-owner of Toronto-based design firm Feasby & Bleeks Design, after years of being very one-dimensional, nurseries are returning to the "full-on decorated" look.

"From custom lampshades, use of trim on furnishings, original art and lots of details, it's really an opportunity to show some personality and have more fun than you might with your everyday rooms," she says.

Feasby points out that choosing a motif when beginning to plan your nursery — be it nautical, animal, fairy — can help guide you when putting the room together. "Find either a fabric you love, or carpet or bedding — it could even be a great piece of art — and use that as a fun jumping off point," she advises.

As for colours, Feasby says many parents are also turning to bolder colours including faded black, medium and charcoal grays, chocolate brown, navy with added hits of yellow, orange or red, rather than the traditional pastel pinks and blues.

When it comes to which items to splurge on, Michelle Schmidt, who co-owns Richmond Hill Ont. baby boutique Belly Bumps and Babies with her husband Scott, says without a doubt, it's the crib.

Not only is the safety and comfort of your baby a huge factor, but Schmidt says many cribs these days, like the eco-friendly Oeuf ones she carries, convert into toddler beds, providing longevity for parents who want to invest in quality furniture.

Both Schmidt and Feasby agree that drapes are one must-have design element in a nursery that many parents are turning to these days. "We actually try and find fabric that is not necessarily suited for a baby, but is just fun."

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3 ANTHROPOLOGIE, $78-298
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4 DWELL STUDIO, $124
This playful elephant bookshelf in lemon makes reading all the more fun for little ones. dwellstudio.com.

5 POTTERY BARN KIDS, $115-149
Made especially for toddlers learning to walk, these soft, cosy chairs add a grown-up element to a wee one's room. potterybarnkids.com.

6 DWELL STUDIO, $360
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7 POTTERY BARN KIDS, $54-69
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Finding your decor style

Be sure to make decisions when decorating based on who you are so you can match your surroundings

DECOR MOMENT

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I've helped a lot of people decorate their homes over the years and the one thing that I discover is that people do not know their decor style. I am a believer that we should live by our style; that means our lifestyle dictates the clothes we feel most comfortable wearing and there is a certain relationship between lifestyle, fashion and home decor. Here are a few ways to help your define your style:

Look at your wardrobe:

Do you save clothing from years gone by or feel comfortable buying vintage clothing? If that is the case then you probably don't mind buying pre-owned furnishings. This most likely means you have an eclectic style of decorating that bends toward a traditional look. Your best shopping haunts: Local flea markets, Goodwill and vintage shops.

Conservative colours?

Do you have very conservative colours in your wardrobe like navy, brown and grey? You should most likely decorate your home with neutral colours like taupe, sand, chocolate browns and cream. You are a decorator that tends to make serious, long term decorating purchases. Your best shopping haunts will include high-end traditional furniture stores, better department stores and custom reupholstery services.

Bright and flashy?

Are you always on the hunt for the splashiest party dress or purchasing the latest bright coloured tie? You are an experimenter decorator who loves reading decor magazines. You shouldn't mind replacing items every few months. You are best to shop at discount fashion retailers (like Homesense) and the clearance section of any furnishings store.

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Is your closet filled with a very edited collection of the very best quality work clothes and a limited supply of casual clothing? If so, you most likely enjoy a very controlled environment of sleek, classic furniture pieces and fine art. A tuxedo style sofa covered in a wool suiting fabric paired with a sleek Italian leather chair would suit you best. You should be shopping with a designer at auctions, antique stores, and trade only showrooms to get the couture look in your home.

Fun quotes

- "They say they want 'hotel-chic' yet their place looks like their granny lives with them."
- "She's wearing an Armani suit, yet has a wall unit made of milk crates."

▶ Old furniture pieces can look new again and discount fashion retailers are the perfect place to start.

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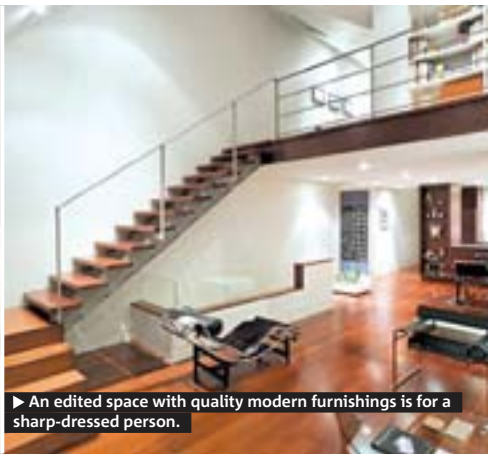
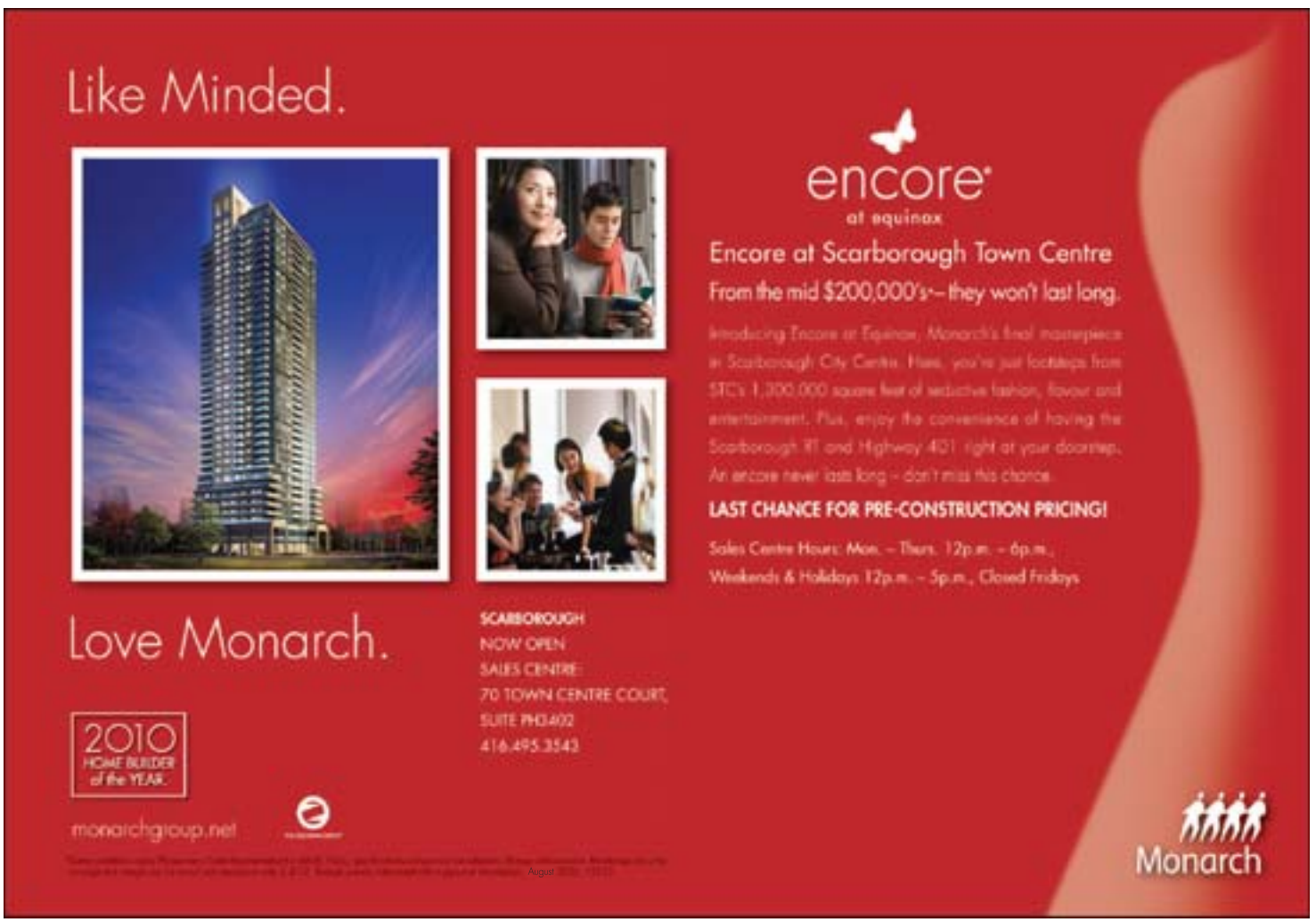


▶ An edited space with quality modern furnishings is for a sharp-dressed person.



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▶ A new counter top and faucet can work wonders for resale value.

Upgrading your kitchen

If you're thinking of selling your condo, it may be time to look at a few simple but effective improvements for your kitchen that give it a lift and create a better first impression for potential buyers.

• If your counter top is laminate, consider either replacing it with a stone top or upgrading the overall look with a wood trim or edge. Ideally, switch to quartz or granite, which will help with resale and to achieve an overall high-end look. If you choose quartz — Silestone, Caesarstone, or Hanstone are among the brands available — there are many colours and patterns available, so it will be easy to match existing colours and cabinetry in your kitchen to the counter top. Natural granite counter tops can be more economical, so if you're selling this may be a better option.

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MAKING SENSE OF HOUSING STATISTICS

In preparing for a BNN interview earlier this week where I was to provide instant reaction to the monthly release of the housing starts statistics by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, it occurred to me that homebuyers face a continuous barrage of statistical information that can be downright confusing at the best of times.

CMHC releases national, provincial and local reports on housing starts each month. At a different point each month, Statistics Canada issues data on building permits. Figures on resale home transactions are released twice a month by the Toronto Real Estate Board and monthly by the Canadian Real Estate Association.

As for new home sales, the Greater Toronto market is served by RealNet Canada Inc., which provides detailed monthly statistics to BILD for release to the public via the media.

That's four potential housing market information sources you could be hearing about or reading about on any given day, and not surprisingly, they rarely align. For example, it's not uncommon to see housing starts up locally, down province-wide and treading water nationally, but depending upon which report you catch, you could get a completely different perspective.

The most important thing to be aware of is which data source is being quoted and whether it's a lagging or leading indicator. In a market like the GTA where the vast majority of new homes are pre-sold, the sale comes first, then the builder obtains a building permit, then he "starts" construction.

While housing starts are a great indicator of future jobs and spending, they are telling you what was happening in the market 3-6 months ago in the case of low-rise housing and 9-15 months ago in the case of high-rise. In essence, housing starts offer a rear-view mirror projection of the market.

My best advice to readers is not to get too hung up on monthly stats and if you're going to follow anything, keep an eye on the RealNet new home sales stats (posted at newhomes.org) as the leading indicator of local housing market activity.

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The fresh food served at the Lunch Buffet ($10.95/person — offered daily from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) is only enlivened by the sauces, not drowned by them, and with our plates piled high with almost every item from the buffet, we feel satisfied, not weighed down, by the time we finish.

Like most buffets, there are highs and lows.

The Tandoori Chicken, Okra Do Peaza, Goat Masala, Chicken Masala and Fish Curry are worth going back for — rich, complex flavours that differ from dish to dish, and the sensuous textures — oh my!

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- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) paprika
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- 1/2 tbsp (7 ml) sherry
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- 6 bamboo skewers, soaked
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Easy and breezy! Tapas-style shrimp skewers will make an excellent addition to your summertime outdoor party menu. To achieve optimum flavours and reduce preparation time, marinate shrimp overnight.

This recipe was created by Chef John Cirillo, who has twice been recognized as Toronto chef of the year (1998 and 2003) by the Escoffier Society. He runs a cooking academy and the restaurant Oregano by Cirillo's in west-end Toronto.

Preparation:

1. In a medium bowl, add oil, garlic, chili, cumin, paprika, lemon juice, parsley and sherry and mix to combine. Add shrimp to marinade and toss to coat. Cover and place in fridge for 30 minutes or up to one day.
2. Thread 2 shrimp onto each skewer and season with salt and pepper. Heat barbecue to high, then place shrimp skewers on the grill and cook for 2 to 3 minutes per side. Once fully cooked, remove shrimp skewers from heat and serve.

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Last Canadian knocked out

Polansky falls short of second upset Canadian fans still waiting for homegrown Rogers Cup champ

Peter Polansky tried his best and gave them a thrill, but his best efforts still left Canadian tennis fans in the same position they have occupied for decades — waiting for a homegrown winner at their men's tennis championship.

The 22-year-old from Thornhill was the last Canadian left standing in the singles draw at the Rogers Cup, and he was eliminated at centre court yesterday. Polansky fell in straight sets to Romanian Victor Hanescu, losing 6-4, 7-6 at Rexall Centre.

"It's always a little something special to be the only Canadian that made it this far," Polansky said softly after his loss. "Even though I'm slightly disappointed today, it was still a very good tournament for me."

It has been more than 50 years since a Canadian won the title. Robert Bedard won the championship in 1958, which was his second straight win at the event. Canada does not have a player ranked in the top 100 on the ATP World Tour.

Polansky sat at No. 207 heading into the $2.43-million US event at York University — making him Canada's highest-ranked player — and he became a hometown favourite with a surprising first-round win. He's the first Canadian in seven years to beat a top 20 player at the Rogers Cup, upsetting Austrian Jurgen Melzer at centre court.

"Being on centre court with a lot of people obviously pumps you up a bit," Polansky said. "But I don't think it raised my level too much. I mean, I was playing well last week and the weeks before."

He played well enough to beat Hanescu, but struggled on his first serve and misfired on too many opportunities to record another upset. Hanescu had beaten Canadian Milos Raonic in the first round, and he will face Novak Djokovic in the next round.

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Number of times the United States has won the event since 1975, the most of any country, followed by the Czech Republic (6), Sweden (3) and Spain (3).

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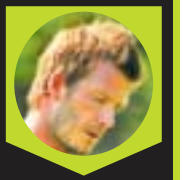
▶ Peter Polansky of Thornhill waves to the crowd after losing his second-round match.

Up and down

Diego Maradona
The former Argentina coach has job offers from two clubs in Brazil and a national team in Europe, his assistant says.



David Beckham
The 35-year-old's record-setting England career appears to be over after coach Fabio Capello indicated yesterday the midfielder is too old.

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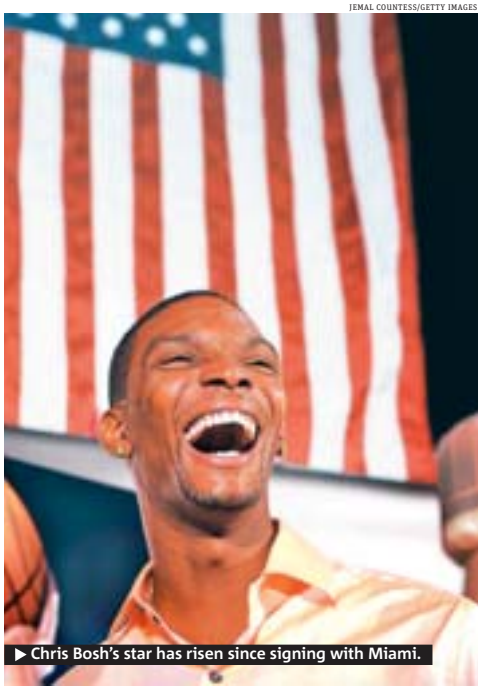

▶ Chris Bosh's star has risen since signing with Miami.

U.S.A. embraces CB4

Former Raptor admits his profile is higher since his signing with the Heat Says his skills weren't fully recognized when he played in Toronto

Standing in front of his new milk moustache ad, a sure cultural sign of celebrity, Chris Bosh was asked if the opportunity came about after he signed with the Miami Heat.

"Yeah, of course," he replied, as if the answer should've been obvious.

So would it have happened had he stayed in Toronto?

"Uhhhhh," Bosh said, carefully pondering the question. "I would like to say yes, but you never know. It's a lot more likely that it would have came being there in the States, to be truthful. That's the unfortunate thing about sports sometimes."

The all-star forward entered free agency this summer, making clear he was seeking not only a chance to win but to raise his profile. Seven years with the Raptors sometimes felt as though he was playing on another planet.

"I feel that I'm one of the best power forwards in the league," Bosh told The Associated Press yesterday at an event in Manhattan with fellow Olympic gold medallists Apolo Anton Ohno and Shawn Johnson to reveal his new ad, "but I don't think that the exposure was there or the attention was there (in Toronto).

"I just always wanted to be recognized as a good player."
CHRIS BOSH

"Not to say that that's what I crave," he quickly added, then paused. "But the sports guy in me was like, 'Hey, wait a minute. What about me?'"

No more. Not after he thrust himself into the biggest sports story of the summer. Joining LeBron James and Dwyane Wade in Miami gets him frequently mentioned in the context of "the three superstars who signed with the Heat."

And he's hearing from a lot of companies that are suddenly interested.

"It's night and day," Bosh said.

Bosh embraced the free-agency frenzy, with frequent posts on his Twitter page. That wasn't much of a surprise, considering he once made a video of himself as a used car salesman pitching that he should start in the all-star game.

After all the recent attention, he often gets told by fans, "I didn't know you were funny. I didn't even know you had a personality." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Pacers trade to fill void at point guard

The Indiana Pacers have acquired point guard Darren Collison and forward James Posey from New Orleans in a four-way trade that also includes New Jersey and Houston.

The Pacers also announced yesterday they have dealt Troy Murphy to the Nets, who sent guard Courtney Lee to Houston. To complete the trade, the Rockets shipped swingman Trevor Ariza to New Orleans.

Indiana was searching for a point guard since T.J. Ford fell out of favour last season with coach Jim O'Brien. The Pacers get a good young one in Collison, who played well when Chris Paul was injured. He averaged 12.4 points and 5.7 assists as a rookie last season, including 18.8 points and 9.1 assists in 37 starts.

"We're excited to add Darren to the strong core of young players already on our roster," Pacers president Larry Bird said in a statement. "He's a dynamic young point guard and we believe that he will be a key piece of our goal of building a team that the fans in Indiana deserve."

Murphy played in 262 games for the Pacers, with averages of 13.3 points and 9.2 rebounds per game.

"Troy is a terrific professional and has been a really good player and teammate during his time with us," Bird said. "Obviously, we wish him well and hope this works out for all of us."

The Nets get a good rebounder in the six-foot-11 Murphy, a New Jersey product who is an excellent outside shooter for his size. The former first-round pick from Notre Dame is a career 39 per cent shooter from three-point range.
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Bills looking forward to burying 2009

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▶ Lee Evans

Receiver Lee Evans can't look forward to the start of this preseason without recalling how dysfunctional the Buffalo Bills' offence was a year ago.

And dysfunctional might not be a strong enough word for Evans.

"It was all that and plus some," he said following practice this week at training camp. "It was pretty much as bad as it gets."

Evans is referring to a team that fired its offensive co-ordinator, Turk Schonert, and released its starting left tackle, Langston Walker, within 10 days of the start of the regular season. Then there was coach Dick Jauron's decision to scrap his no-huddle offence by Week 6 before he was fired a month later.

The turmoil and upheaval rendered immaterial the addition of receiver Terrell Owens, who left after completing his one-year contract, and led to the offence finishing 30th in the NFL in yards and 28th in points.

"We were fighting against ourselves just as much as we were fighting against other teams," Evans said. "What can you say? It's a new day, though. That's the good part about this."

The opportunity to start fresh begins tomorrow, when Buffalo opens its preseason at Washington. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sports in brief

Leafs sign NCAA forward

NHL. The Toronto Maple Leafs signed forward Jerry D'Amigo to a three-year, entry-level contract yesterday.

A sixth-round draft pick in 2009, D'Amigo had had 34 points (10-24) in 35 games with the NCAA's R.P.I. Engineers last year.

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Henry helps sink TFC

MLS. Joel Lindpere scored off a setup by newly acquired Thierry Henry in the first half as the New York Red Bulls beat Toronto FC 1-0 last night. With the win the Red Bulls (9-6-4) snapped a five-game winless streak. Toronto FC fell to 7-7-5 overall and sits in third place on 26 points.

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Raptors trade for Wright

NBA. The Toronto Raptors acquired forward Julian Wright from the New Orleans Hornets yesterday in exchange for guard Marco Belinelli.

The six-foot-eight, 225-pound Wright averaged 8.1 points and 4.6 rebounds in 68 games with New Orleans last season.

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▶ Rafael Nadal hammers a forehand to Stanislas Wawrinka yesterday.

Nadal has to work for win

Swiss challenger forces world's No. 1 player into first-set tie breaker **Murray, Djokovic also win**

Rafael Nadal stood out under overcast skies with a fluorescent pink shirt and a headband that glowed under the lights, but the world's top-ranked tennis player had to work hard to distinguish himself against his first opponent at the Rogers Cup last night.

The 24-year-old wrestled through a marathon first set tiebreak before he was finally able to shake Swiss challenger Stanislas Wawrinka with a 7-6, 6-3 win on centre court at Rexall Place.

Several of the other big names entered in the $2.43-million US event had already secured passage to the next round at York University. Novak Djokovic overcame struggles with the intense afternoon heat to earn a 7-5, 7-5 win over France's Julien Benneteau.

Britain's Andy Murray began his quest for a second straight title in Canada with a 7-5, 6-2 win over Belgian Xavier Malisse in a late afternoon game. Russian Nikolay Davydenko rolled to a 7-5, 6-1 win over Italian Fabio Fognini in one of the other early matches.

"I feel good," Murray said. "Today could have been a little bit better from the start, but the first one's tough and I was playing against a very good player."

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Red Sox dominate Blue Jays

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RED SOX	BLUE JAYS

The Boston Red Sox are proving to be quite the killjoy for the Toronto Blue Jays, who continue to look lost against a team that bedevils them like no other.

Shaun Marcum, who has traditionally pitched well against the Beantowners, buried his team early by getting pounded for season-highs of four homers and eight earned runs, while the offence was helpless against a dominant Clay Buchholz in a 10-1 thumping yesterday.

Adam Lind had three hits but otherwise there were very few positives to speak of for the Blue Jays (59-54), who fell to 2-9 this season against the Red Sox (66-49) while squandering more of the optimism and excitement created by their recent strong play.

They won't have long to lick their wounds, as the series finale goes this afternoon. Rookie Brad Mills will try to help the Jays avoid a three-game sweep against John Lackey.

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Scoreboard

BASEBALL

AL EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
NEW YORK	69	43	.616	-
TAMPA BAY	69	45	.605	1
BOSTON	66	49	.574	4.5
TORONTO	59	54	.522	10.5
BALTIMORE	40	74	.351	30

AL CENTRAL

	W	L	Pct	GB
MINNESOTA	64	49	.566	-
CHICAGO	63	50	.558	1
DETROIT	55	59	.482	9.5
CLEVELAND	47	67	.412	17.5
KANSAS CITY	47	67	.412	17.5

AL WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
TEXAS	65	47	.580	-
LOS ANGELES	59	57	.509	8
OAKLAND	57	56	.504	8.5
SEATTLE	44	71	.383	22.5

Yesterday's AL results

Boston 10 Toronto 1
Baltimore 3 Cleveland 1
Detroit 3 Tampa Bay 2
L.A. Angels 2 Kansas City 1 (10 ings)
Oakland 5 Seattle 1
N.Y. Yankees at Texas
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox

Today's AL games

Boston at Toronto, 12:37 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.

NL EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
ATLANTA	66	48	.579	-
PHILADELPHIA	63	50	.558	2.5
FLORIDA	56	56	.500	9
NEW YORK	56	57	.496	9.5
WASHINGTON	49	65	.430	17

NL CENTRAL

	W	L	Pct	GB
ST. LOUIS	64	49	.566	-
CINCINNATI	64	51	.557	1
MILWAUKEE	53	61	.465	11.5
CHICAGO	48	65	.425	16
HOUSTON	48	65	.425	16
PITTSBURGH	39	73	.348	24.5

NL WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
SAN DIEGO	65	46	.586	-
SAN FRANCISCO	64	50	.561	2.5
COLORADO	59	54	.522	7
LOS ANGELES	59	55	.518	7.5
ARIZONA	45	69	.395	21.5

Yesterday's NL results

St. Louis at Cincinnati
Atlanta at Houston
Florida at Washington
L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia
Colorado at N.Y. Mets
Arizona at Milwaukee
Pittsburgh at San Diego
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco

Today's NL games

Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m.
Arizona at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 3:45 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Diego, 6:35 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.

TENNIS

Rogers Cup results
Singles
Second round

Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Stanislas Wawrinka, Switzerland, 7-6 (12), 6-3.
Novak Djokovic (2), Serbia, def. Julien Benneteau, France, 7-5, 7-5.
Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, 7-5, 6-2.
Nikolay Davydenko (6), Russia, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 7-5, 6-1.
Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Fernando Verdasco (9), Spain, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (5), 6-2.
Michael Llodra, France, def. Nicolas Almagro (14), Spain, 7-6 (5), 6-2.
Gael Monfils (15), France, def. Thiemo de Bakker, Netherlands, 7-5, 6-3.
Victor Hanescu, Romania, def. Peter Polansky, Thornhill, Ont., 6-4, 7-6 (4).
Alexandr Dolgopolov, Ukraine, def. Mikhail Youzhny (12), Russia, 1-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5.
Kevin Anderson, South Africa, def. Sam Querrey (16), U.S., 7-6 (4), 4-6, 6-4.
David Nalbandian, Argentina, def. Tommy Robredo, Spain, 6-3, 6-0.
Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, def. Viktor Troicki, Serbia, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0.
Yen-Hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, 3-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5).

TODAY IN SPORTS HISTORY

August 12

1876 - Madeleine wins two straight heats over Canada's Countess of Dufferin to defend the America's Cup.
1936 - Rosalind, driven by Ben White, wins the Hambletonian Stakes in straight heats.
1942 - The Ambassador, driven by Ben White, wins the Hambletonian Stakes in the third heat.
1994 - Major league baseball players strike in the sport's eighth work stoppage since 1972.
2000 - Evander Holyfield scores a 12-round unanimous decision over John Ruiz in Las Vegas to win the vacant WBA heavyweight title.
2007 - Tiger Woods captures the PGA Championship to win at least one major for the third straight season and run his career total to 13.

Opinion

DAN TOTH
CFL EXTRA POINTS

FANS HELD HOSTAGE IN THE HAMMER

The Canadian Football League is a volatile place to run a business, even now when the loop boasts of record attendance and strong TV viewership.

The latest "crisis" has Tiger-Cats owner Bob Young understandably frustrated with Hamilton's ongoing saga over the location of its new stadium.

City council's decision to build a new downtown facility for the 2015 Pan Am Games has irked Young, who is threatening to pull the team out of Steeltown when its current lease expires after next season. While it might be posturing on the part of Young, who prefers a location that would provide more parking and easier access, it's surprising the city is playing rough with its only legitimate tenant once the Games are over. There is speculation Young may sell the team to interests in Quebec City, Moncton or Ottawa, which would be tragic for patient football fans in Hamilton, who deserve a modern home for games after putting up for decades with decrepit Ivor Wynne Stadium.

DOWN YEAR IN THE WEST

The CFL's crossover playoff format was designed to appease the perennial powerhouses of the West. Since the crossover rule was introduced in 1997, the fourth-place team in the West has played in the East semifinal six times while no team from the East has ever crossed over to the West, but that could change this year. The season's only one-third over, but with the B.C. Lions and Edmonton Eskimos both trapped in the basement with 1-5 records, all four Eastern teams have a shot at earning playoff berths.

HALL OF BLAME

Richie Hall is a sympathetic figure along the sidelines of the hapless Edmonton Eskimos. The 1-5 team's likable head coach has been a success as both a player and assistant, but fingers are being pointed his way over the team's slow starts. Pro athletes aren't supposed to require additional inspiration at game time, but how else do you explain their sluggish effort last week against Toronto despite a home crowd of more than 30,000 at Commonwealth Stadium?

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Across

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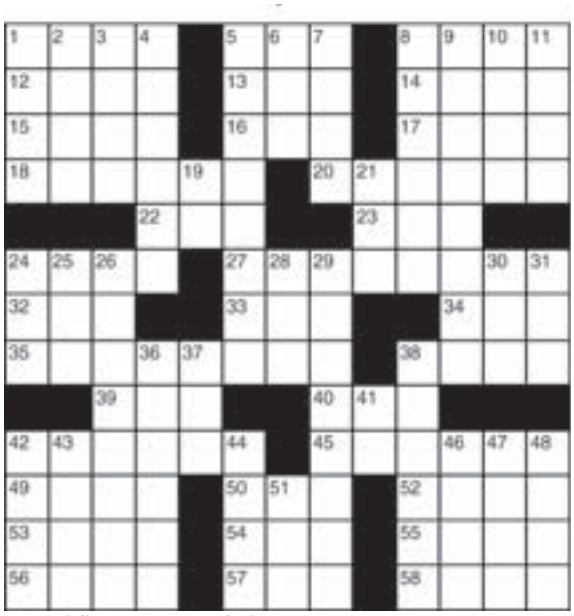
5. Romaine's other name
8. "Hey, you!"
12. Unyielding
13. Hooter
14. Blue hue
15. Decree
16. Grazing area
17. Litter's littlest
18. Bluebeard's last wife
20. Face
22. Tuna container
23. Inmate
24. Cupid's alias
27. Relied (on)
32. Wire measure
33. Tokyo's old name
34. Mess up
35. Rainbow
38. Quarry
39. "Eureka!"
40. Piercing tool
42. Movie industry
45. Equine comments
49. Took the bus
50. Affirmative action?
52. Pennsylvania port
53. Basin accessory
54. Prior night
55. Astronaut Sally
56. Cautious
57. Simple card game
58. Dance move

Down

1. "Death of a Salesman" son
2. Met melody
3. Gravy vessel
4. Shenanigans
5. Sieve
6. Have bills
7. Serb or Bulgar
8. Clergyman
9. Waste
10. Crooned
11. London gallery
19. Mother
21. Lemieux milieu
24. Type measures
25. Tear
26. Poisonous shrub
28. School's Web suffix
29. Sachet
30. Prior to
31. Parched
36. Jovial
37. Highlander's hat
38. Electrician's tool
41. Lindbergh book
42. Squad
43. Davenport site
44. Over again
46. Sand
47. Stash
48. Leak slowly
51. Eggs



▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

		2	1		3			
	3					1	4	
1	4				7	9		
6		4	7				8	
				6				
	9				5	2		3
		9	8				7	5
	5	7					2	
			5		2	8		

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♈ Aries March 21-April 19
Don't let people get away with statements which are clearly untrue. You can tell the difference between fact and fiction and you see it as your duty to point out errors.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 21 You want to break into the big time but you don't want to break your back in the process. The good news is the planets are about to reveal a way you can move up painlessly.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21
Other people will always make things difficult for you one way or the other, but you don't have to make things difficult for yourself. Whatever is the easiest route to your goal is the route you must take.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You may be having a pleasant time at the moment but some of the people you care for don't seem so lucky, so make it your business to cheer them up.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 The answer to a personal problem is really quite obvious but you seem determined not to see it. If a loved one tried to discuss the issue with you today don't put them off.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22
Today's quite positive cosmic influences suggest that if you look at a dilemma with your eyes open and with a determination to deal with it once and for all you won't be in a tight spot for long. Is there an alternative?

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Saturn in your sign endows you with a winning combination of ambition and staying power. So what is the one thing you dream of achieve above all other things? It's possible for you right now.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Is your glass half full or half empty? Is the situation you are confronted with an opportunity or a setback? How you choose to look at your life is how your life will be.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 It may be frustrating that others aren't as forward-looking but that's just the way it is. The more cautious they are the more opportunities there will be for you.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20
You never like it when others challenge your authority and with your ruler Saturn moving through the career area of your chart you can expect to be challenged on a regular basis.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18
There is no copyright on ideas and if you think you might benefit from someone else's insight or inspiration then by all means go for it.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20
Your life has become much too cluttered of late. A clearout is needed. Get rid of everything – yes, everything – that does not fulfill a useful purpose in your life.

SALLY BROMPTON

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